

DETAILED ACTION

1. As per Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences' Decision on Appeal 2009-006839 dated 12/17/2010, claim 1-21, 23 and 41 rejections are reversed. Further examination has determined that claims 1-21, 23 and 41 are to be allowed.
2. Amendment received on 01/29/2007 was entered into record. No claim is changed.
3. Amendment received on 09/05/2006 was entered into record. Claims 1 and 23 were amended. Claim 41 was new.
4. Amendment received on 03/15/2006 was entered into record. Claims 32-39 were cancelled.

Priority

5. This application has claimed the benefit of 60/303,945 filed on 07/09/2001. The filing date is 12/28/2001.

Reasons for Allowance

6. Claims 1-21, 23 and 41 are allowed as amendment received on 01/29/2007.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior arts of record issued to Engstrom (US 20020138286 A1) and Bhoj et al. (US 6304892 B1) together fail to teach or suggest "a method for providing access to an electronic profile of a first client to a second client comprising the steps of: creating a network accessible electronic profile of the first client, wherein the electronic profile is accessible by an active object, wherein the active object is bound to the electronic profile; defining an access right of the second client, wherein the access right determines a portion of the electronic profile accessible to the second client via the active object; verifying an identity of the second client; and providing access to the portion electronic profile to the second client via the active object, wherein the active object is transferred to the second client from the first client" in combination with all the elements of each independent claim as argued by Applicant [See 3rd paragraph on page 7 through 2nd paragraph on page 8 of appellant's Appeal Brief Filed on 12/31/2007]. Applicant argues that Engstrom and Bhoj do not teach or suggest the limitation of "verifying an identity of the second client". This argument is considered persuasive as per the Analysis in Patent Appeals and Interferences' Decision on Appeal 2009-006839 dated 12/17/2010. Examiner has reviewed claim rejections as per Office Action mailed on 11/27/2006. Examiner has made further search on the subject matter. Upon a review on the search results, it is determined that independent claim 1 is to be allowed.

The dependent claims further limit the independent claims and are considered allowable on the same basis as the independent claims as well as for the further limitations set forth. Any

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comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peling A. Shaw whose telephone number is (571) 272-7968. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00 - 4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William C. Vaughn can be reached on (571) 272-3922. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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